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Comments of Republic of Korea

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First of all, The Republic of Korea sincerely thanks USA and the chair for the great contribution and supports to CCPFV as the host country for a long time.

Regarding Draft work plan for CCPFV introduced in the document (CX/CAC 18/41/11 Add.2), The Republic of Korea supports Option (1) holding CCPFV physical meeting in 2019.

Rationale

The seven proposals (e.g. Dried fruits, Chili sauce, Gochujang, etc.) approved by CAC40 as new works for CCPFV are sufficient amount of works for a physical meeting.

Therefore we are of the opinion that CCPFV physical meeting should be convened to enhance the efficiency of progress on the new work and overcome procedural issues in working by correspondence, in particular relating to the work on standard developments, consensus-building and decision-making process.

In view of the above, The Republic of Korea supports holding CCPFV physical meeting continuously from 2019.

Additional comments

Some issues with CCPFV raised in a few years(e.g. Decrease in participating member countries) could be linked with the recent tendency of CCPFV to focus on the revision of existing standards or the elaboration of the group standards(e.g. inclusion work in the standard for certain canned fruits). This tendency might also lead a lack of new works decreasing interests of member countries.

Therefore, focusing on the development of new work is needed as one of the important approaches to encourage interests and participation of member countries as well as work progress of CCPFV.